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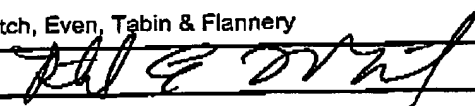
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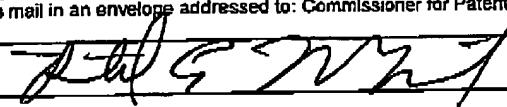
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Applicant(s): Takano, Masanori

Application No.: 09/881,275

Filed: June 14, 2001

For: Method of expressing crowd
movement in game, storage
medium, and information
processing apparatus

Examiner: BELL, MELTIN

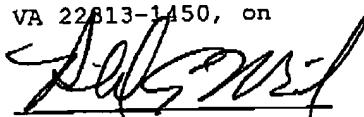
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Reg. No. 36,048**WRITTEN STATEMENT REGARDING SUBSTANCE OF
INTERVIEW IN RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S
INTERVIEW SUMMARY MAILED JANUARY 10, 2005**

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P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Interview Summary mailed on
January 10, 2005, Applicant provides the following Written
Statement Regarding the Substance of the Interview:

App. No.: 09/881,275
Statement Re Substance

Written Statement regarding Substance
of the 1/4/05 Interview per 37 CFR 1.133(b)

Applicant appreciates very much the opportunity to discuss the status of this application with Examiner Meltin Bell in telephone calls that occurred on December 29, 2004, January 3, 2005, and January 4, 2005, between Examiner Bell and the undersigned attorney of record. In accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.133(b), and the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) §713.04, Applicant provides the following written statement of the reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action.

No exhibits were shown or discussed. No specific claims or prior art was discussed. No proposed amendments were discussed. And no principal arguments for patentability were discussed.

The only issue that was discussed was the finality of the office action mailed December 2, 2004 (the "office action"). Specifically, in the first conversations the undersigned explained to the Examiner his belief that the office action should not have been made final. In the last conversation the Examiner indicated that he agreed that the office action should not have been made final. The Examiner informed the undersigned that the finality of the office action would be withdrawn if Applicant submits a written request as part of a response to the office action. The undersigned indicated that Applicant would therefore respond to the office action as normal and place a paragraph in the response explaining that the office action should not have been made final.

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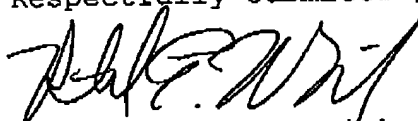
Therefore, the agreement that was reached was that the office action mailed December 2, 2004, should not have been made final. Nothing further was discussed.

C O N C L U S I O N

Should there remain any outstanding issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Richard E. Wawrzyniak at (858)552-1311 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Dated 2/8/05

Respectfully submitted,



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